

12. General Burrows' report attached enters into the details of the action.

13. The further details regarding the movements of General Burrows' force and intelligence will be submitted in a separate report to the Quartermaster-General.

Head-quarters Staff—5 European officers effective; total 5; 22 followers; 12 horses.

1st Brigade Staff—1 European officer sick; total 1; 2 followers; 1 horse.

2nd Brigade Staff—2 European officers effective; total 2; 7 followers; 5 horses.

R. E. Staff—2 European officers effective; total 2; 6 followers; 4 horses.

R. A. Staff—1 European officer effective; 1 European officer sick; total 2; 8 followers.

Medical Staff—6 European officers effective; 10 warrant, N.C., officers and men effective; 2 European officers sick; 1 European warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 19; 90 followers; 6 horses; 1 mule; 5 bullocks.

Political Department—1 European officer effective; total 1; 2 followers; 2 horses.

Ecclesiastical Department—1 European officer effective; total 1.

Commissariat Department—8 European officers effective; 11 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; total 19; 1,887 followers; 19 horses; 2 mules; 84 bullocks.

Ordnance Department—1 European officer effective; 6 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 31 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 1 European warrant, N.C. officer and men; 3 native warrant, N.C. officer and men sick; total 42; 22 followers.

Transport Department—5 European officers effective; 3 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 38 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; total 46; 450 followers; 21 horses; 105 bullocks.

E-B, R. H. A.—10 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 1 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 9 European warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; 1 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 21; 38 followers; 12 horses; 3 bullocks.

C-2nd, R. A.—5 European officers effective; 109 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 10 native warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 25 European warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; 2 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 151; 224 followers; 90 horses; 20 bullocks.

5-11th, R.A.—3 European officers effective; 87 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 3 European warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 93; 283 followers; 11 horses; 374 bullocks.

Poona Horse—5 European officers effective; 190 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 17 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 212; 231 followers; 209 horses.

3rd Sind Horse—1 European officer effective; 178 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; total 179; 212 followers; 232 horses.

3rd Light Cavalry—1 European officer effective; 83 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 26 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 110; 111 followers; 113 horses.

No. 2 Company, Sappers and Miners—3 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 30 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 1 European warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; 5 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 39; 12 followers.

2-7th Foot, includes men attached from the Bengal Army—18 European officers effective; 588 European warrant, N.C. officers and men effective; 6 European officers sick; 73 European warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 685; 264 followers; 10 horses; 16 bullocks.

66th Foot, includes clerks and a few men employed departmentally—1 European officer sick; 90 European warrant, N.C. officers and men sick, total 91; 3 followers.

1st Regiment N. I.—91 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 16 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 107; 1 follower.

4th Regiment N. I.—6 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; total 6.

19th Regiment N. I., includes men attached from the Bengal Army—6 European officers effective; 524 native warrant N.C. officers effective; 51 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 581; 138 followers; 6 horses; 6 bullocks.

29th Regiment N. I.—2 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 6 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 8.

30th Regiment N. I.—28 native warrant, N.C. officers effective; 12 native warrant, N.C. officers and men sick; total 40; 3 followers.

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From Brigadier-General G. R. S. Burrows, to the Assistant Adjutant-General, Kandahar Force, —(Kandahar, 30th August, 1880).

I HAVE the honour to report, that, on the 26th ultimo, whilst encamped at Khushk-i-Nakhud, I received information that 2,000 of the enemy's cavalry and a large number of ghazis had arrived at Garmao and Maiwand, and that it was Ayub Khan's intention to follow with the main body of his army immediately.

2. A sketch is attached to this report, showing the positions of Maiwand and Khushk-i-Nakhud, from which it will be seen that to carry into effect the instructions I had received,* viz., to prevent Ayub Khan from passing on to Ghazni, it was incumbent on me to intercept him either at Maiwand or Khushk-i-Nakhud.

3. Hitherto I had found it impossible to obtain any reliable information regarding Ayub Khan's intended movements, for, although when the expedition set out, it was understood that we were to operate in a friendly country, and in concert with a loyal army, the actual circumstances were the reverse of this. The Wali's army had gone over to the enemy; the Wali himself was a refugee in my camp. Whatever little political influence there may previously have been in the country, was at an end, and every man's hand was against us.

4. In the absence of intelligence beyond such as my cavalry patrols brought in, and from which I knew that the enemy's advanced post was at Sungboor, twelve miles in my front, on the Khushk-i-Nakhud road, I considered it advisable to await events in the position I had taken up at the latter place.

5. On learning, however, that the enemy was making for Maiwand, I determined to move on that place at once.

* Vide correspondence from the Assistant Quartermaster-General, Kandahar Force, attached.